

# The Church of God Evangel

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4

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## THE GREAT DAY OF HURRY AND EXPLOITS HAS NOW COME!

### Hurrah for the Missionaries who are Preparing for the Lord's Work in China!

#### STRONG APPEAL FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS

To Every Member of the Dear Old Church of God—Greetings in the Mighty and All Powerful Name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ: I would love to meet every one of you and talk with you personally but as that is now impossible I will write you a letter through the Evangel. I want you to consider this a personal letter to you and I want you to respond by doing your part on Foreign Mission day.

I am trying to attend as many big meetings as I possibly can and tell the people about China—what we have been able to accomplish by the grace of God, the needs of the work etc., and what we, each member, must do at once to keep the work going.

We all know Jesus was the first missionary this old world ever knew; and where would we have been today had He not come to this old world to save us? Then look at the apostle Paul, what a wonderful missionary he was! Then consider those of the past few centuries who have hazarded their very lives that they might give the gospel to the heathen, those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death. Shall the Church of God fall behind?

Surely every member of the Church of God BELIEVES in Foreign Missions, yet we have sadly neglected this line of work in the past. You have been busy laying the foundation here at home and now that we have everything lined up in such good working order—every member in his place—we are going to burst forth upon this old world and herald this precious message to the ends of the earth because Jesus said this gospel must first be published among all nations and then would the end come. Praise God!

When any of our loved ones die and make requests of us before going we feel we have to do all in our power to carry out their wishes and desires. Friends, how about our Lord's last message to us to carry this precious gospel to the ends of the earth? Are we doing our part? He says "Go

ye" and that go ye is to every one of us just as much as healing and speaking in tongues, that is, we are to get that go ye spirit. Some are to go and the others are to send. He said to go and teach them to observe and do the things He has commanded us. Praise God! That is, go over and share these good things He has given us. He says He will give us the heathen for our inheritance. Praise God! Who would want a greater inheritance than that?

Dear ones, we went to China seven years ago and God has mightily fulfilled His precious Word and we can truly say there hath not failed one word of all His good promises. He hath given us souls for our hire and we now have three native churches established there.

I have come home to stir up the Church to give her means and to send forth new missionaries, for if these three native churches are to continue and the work grow and spread on and out to those who have never yet heard of our Jesus it will be necessary for each member to begin RIGHT NOW to do HIS PART.

We all love the Church of God (and so do the Chinese) and her beautiful government. Many people often say that our people are poor and can't do much. We want to quit saying that or thinking it. We should be rich in faith, hallelujah! We are the people who can move heaven and earth. Hallelujah! Our little is much because God is in it. The great things of the world are not done by the rich and mighty; united effort can work miracles and that is what the Church of God people can do. Let us UNITED OUR EFFORTS and we will see things happen that will surprise ourselves.

We have a membership of more than twenty thousand. Foreign Mission day comes on second Sunday in every other month and if every member will do his best it is marvelous what our united gifts, prayers and efforts will accomplish. If every member would contribute twenty-five cents

on that day it would amount to \$5,000.00. Just think of it! Surely every member can give that small amount. You can eat one meal less on that Sunday or abstain from meat that day, that is if you have no other way to get your offering. Some who spend too much on dress could deny themselves on that line and get their offering that way. I am sure that all are ready and willing to do their part. They are just waiting for an opportunity.

Of course there are many who are able to give more than this amount. The main thing is for the Foreign Mission treasurer of the church to see that the Foreign Mission offering does not amount to less than twenty-five cents for each member and just as much over as possible. If the churches and pastors will all unite in this we will not have any financial shortage in the Foreign Mission department as has been heretofore.

A band of twenty Church of God missionaries is going out to China this autumn and it will require \$6,000.00 to put them in China. If all do their part, their best, their very best on Foreign Mission day it will be almost enough to send the twenty Church of God missionaries; the \$1,000.00 lack will likely be supplied from personal funds which some of the out going missionaries have and can apply on their own passage.

Then as each of us continues to do his part it will be sufficient for the Church to buy land and build houses for the missionaries (The church will own the property, of course) and in that way large amounts will not have to be paid out monthly in rents.

There is much more I would like to say but I will tell you more next time. This is enough to prove to you what we can do if we will and none of us miss it.

God bless you, every one. I would love to meet you face to face but there are so many places I can't visit all before returning to China.

In Jesus' glad service,  
Jennie B. Rushin,  
Pooler, Ga.

one who feels the call to foreign lands to go! Go! Don't be influenced by any one and disobey the Lord.

Sister Rushin is doing a wonderful work in China and, dear ones, we don't want to come to the Lord empty-handed when He says, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." Mark 16:15. The Church of God people are the ones to go. I have never been so interested in life work as I have been since I heard our dear sister. I wish every one could see the great need of Foreign Missions and be stirred as never before to GO OR SEND. This gospel must go to all the world; will you help? Over the ocean in dark lands millions of heathen are stretching forth their hands, calling to Christians. Hear them today; do not forget they are looking this way.

May the Spirit of God go before Sister Rushin as she goes from place to place in the United States and convict the Church that she should help with the work. Please pray for me.

In Jesus' dear name,  
Alice Driggers,  
Tampa, Fla.

#### "FOR THE SHAME OF CHRIST."

"Therefore we pray you by God that you take pity on the land oversea and the shame of Christ."

So spake the Crusader envoys to the Doge of Venice as they sought to enlist him and his people in the venture of the fourth Crusade. This was his reply:—Certe, it is a great thing that your lords require of us, \*\*\* a high enterprise \*\*\* it is meet that so great a matter be fully pondered."

The Doge pondered the matter, then he called his council of 40, then 100 others, then 200 more, then 1,000, and so spake that all consented and approved the enterprise. Lastly, he assembled 10,000 of his people in the chapel of St. Mark to hear Mass and pray to God for counsel. The envoys also came into the church. The Doge requested them to address the people. They did so: they knelt at the people's feet, weeping many tears, and said:—"For God's sake help to avenge the shame of Christ Jesus."

Then the Doge and all the rest, lifting up their hands, with one voice cried—"We consent! we consent!" They consented to assist, by ships and provisions, the host of the fourth Crusade.

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Some Crusaders proved faithless to their vows, to their eternal shame!! Thus the faithful men's shares of payment were insufficient to defray the agreed sum for transport and commissariat. The expedition was endangered and their own vows. How did the true Crusaders behave? Their words shall say:

"For God's sake let each contribute all that he has so that we may fulfil our covenant; far better is it that we should give all that we have, than lose what we have already paid, and prove false to our covenants; for if this host remains here, the rescue of the land oversea comes to naught."

"Much rather would we give all that we have and go penniless with the host, than that the host should fail to pieces and fail; for God will doubtless repay us when it so pleases Him."

Then the Count of Flanders began to give.

all that he had

and all that he could borrow, and so did Count Lewis, and the Marquis, and the Count of St. Paul, and those who were of their party.

Thus the expedition was enabled to sail. But such whole-souled conduct bore other fruit besides. So shone their light before men that the Doge himself took the cross and went with them. This Doge was indeed "a man." Peace and plenty, wealth, comfort, and pleasure lay in his staying at Venice. Hardship and peril by sea and land, sickness, want, wounds, and death lay in his taking the cross and going—yet he went! He was worthy and good. He was "a real man," I say. He was stone blind, and ninety years of age!!! Truly "he was of a great heart!" He had so much reason to stay behind—yet he went!

"I go," said he, "to live or die with you and with the pilgrims."

"Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature."

"If ye love me, keep my commandments." John 14:15. Not a part but all. Now the commands of our Lord ring still down the ages.

No Christian or church can multiply in grace and glory and power that is not on fire to spread the gospel.

The Church of God has a responsible, oh, a fearful duty as this great burden is upon her, above every other people. I have prayed unto God to help the church launch out and, praise God, I believe the time is ripe.

Sister Rushin was at the great camp meeting at Wimauma and inspired the Florida saints as never before. She has some who will go hand in hand to further this great cause.

Sometimes ago Brother Tomlinson sent out a notice in the Evangel in regards to Foreign Mission day in the churches. I was so delighted when the notice was upon her, above every other people. I have prayed unto God to help the church launch out and, praise God, I believe the time is ripe.

This "man of men" took the cross and went forth; he never returned.

Three years later he died in a foreign land, and was buried with great honour in the Church of St. Sophia.

But who can forget him? What man's soul does not dance within him for an opportunity to do something at least as great and noble for Christ's sake, yet in a better cause?

Those Crusaders went, gambling with their lives, for Christ's sake, to capture the Holy Land and the Tomb of Christ from the hands of the Infidel.

Every step threatened hardship, sacrifice, and danger, but they mocked at all for they went to redeem "the shame of Christ Jesus."

Today we have better reason to go crusading. "The world lieth in the wicked one"—as the Holy Ghost proclaimed through the Apostle John.

We have the divine command to evangelize the world. Our Crusade!

We see the shame of Christ. We acknowledge it! yet stay at home!

Where are the Crusaders of today?

Why are not the rich, and the nobles,

and the royalties in the firing line for Christ today?

Where is our Crusading Spirit?

Where our enthusiasm for Christ and the lands overseas?

We should go crusading for Christ.

We have the men, the means, and the ways—steam and electricity and iron

have leveled the lands and bridged the seas.

The doors of the world have been opened wide for us by our God.

We pray and preach; we bow the knee;

we receive, we administer the Holy Communion of the passion of

Christ; we recite the creed trium-

phant; we are optimists every one; we shout, "Onward, Christian Soldiers, marching on to war," and then? \*\*\* and then? \*\*\* we whisper, "I pray Thee have me excused!!! What glorious humbug we are!"

"I am so old!"

But what about the blind old Doge of 90? And what about Miss Wilson who, at the age of fifty, went gallantly crusading in Inland China some thirty years ago, and others besides?

"I am too young!"

Then what about our young soldiers and officers? What about young Anstruther who went crusading to the Crimea, and fell at the head of his regiment at the battle of the Alma, with the Queen's colour in his hand, only eighteen years of age? John Nicholson, at seventeen, sailed for the scenes of his heroic deeds in India! Little Nelson, a weak boy of twelve years of age, volunteered in those troublous times, and made his first voyage in one of the crazy ships of those days. And these are but samples of multitudes. In "the services" they wait not to start till their constitutions are well established, neither if they go for gold!

"But I might die so young."

True! but God says, "To die is gain" and we say we believe The Book Heaven's meanest abode surpasses earth's loveliest paradise.

"But my Parents object!"

That is indeed strange, for they are proud when their sons go forth to serve an earthly King. Is the service of Jesus Christ less honourable? I wonder! And did not Christ say, "He that loveth father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me," and "If any man come to Me and hate not his father and mother and wife and children and brethren and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple."

"But I need more Education!"

That is strange, too, for you have already a great deal more than these unlearned and ignorant disciples whom Christ chose to be His crusaders in preference to the "scholars" and "somebodies" of His days, and with whom He did such wonders.

"Then what wait I for?"

I'm sure I don't know! Nobody knows! The trump of God has been sounding the charge unceasingly, and is still sounding, and this is what it says:—"Go! Ye shall be witnesses unto Me, unto the uttermost parts of the earth; but if any man draw back, My soul shall have no pleasure in him."

They are no greater, nor so great as Cortez and Pizarro and others faced gladly for gold!

"But what shall I do with my money and estate?"

Lay them up in heaven of course, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break not through nor steal, then you shall have treasure in heaven, while on earth you shall receive one hundredfold. Are they not safer that the safest gilt-edged securities? And, if not, then there can be but one alternative! Was Jesus Christ a fraudulent company promoter? Who dares to say so?

"But the sacrifice is terrible, and is it altogether justifiable?"

That is well worth serious consideration. Of course Christ told us to follow in His footsteps, and, if our sacrifice is greater than His, we might be going before Him and so become guilty of presumption. He left His heaven and His Father for our sakes; though rich He became poor, having a name above every name He made Himself of no reputation, becoming despised and rejected of men; then He willingly laid down His life for us on the cross, after suffering every torture that men could think of. He endured the cross and despised the shame that He might buy us with His blood. No, I really do not think there is much danger of our sacrifice being greater than His and so unjustifiable.

"But is there any reward?"

Rather! Our rewards are waiting in heaven, and our reception in state by our Lord Jesus Christ also; whilst here upon earth we have the unique privilege of serving Him where alone in the universe He is dishonoured and reviled; a privilege glorious enough to excite envy in the heart of every heavenly being.

"But shall I receive a Title?"

Oh yes! various ones. Those who love Jesus will say, "Well done good and faithful servant." Those who don't love Jesus, being really insane while thinking themselves wise, will call you mad or a fool. Did they not so style Christ and the Apostle Paul? A "fool for Christ's sake." What a title! Better than a K. C. B. In heaven they will be pointing and say-

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#### Called to go to China

Dear Saints Everywhere—Greetings in Jesus' Sweet Name:

I am praising God for the great camp meeting at Wimauma and especially to every member of the Church of God in Jacksonville district, let us go to China with our means, then when the roll is called up yonder we will meet and reap what we have sown. China, China, China, let it ring in your ears till you love the Chinese better than money.

I am for Jesus and Jesus is for China. Are you for Jesus? If so, you are for China. They must hear about Jesus. Some one else is willing to go tell them. We can and must be in this to remember Foreign Mission day.

Your humble brother and servant,

R. P. Johnston, dist. overseer.

#### Foreign Mission Hen

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and Saints Everywhere—Greetings in Jesus' Sweet Name:

I want to sound a note of praise to Jesus who has done so much for me. I am determined to do more for His cause since attending the great camp meeting at Wimauma, Fla., June 8-15. It was the greatest meeting we were ever in. We traveled over 800 miles to attend it but we were certainly well paid for the trip. While the music and shouting was "like the sound of many waters," the sweet testimonies were like balm to our weary souls and tired bodies. Messages were given out and interpreted in

age I received the light on the baptism with the Holy Ghost and God called me to be a missionary to foreign lands. My pastor told me that I could not go with the "tongue folks" because they were backslidden sanctified folks, so possessed with wicked spirits that they talked through them in tongues." He quoted Matt. 12:44, 45, "and the last state of that man is worse than the first." I listened to my pastor in whom I had much faith and the missionary desire left me and my pride was gone. But I praise the Lord because He led me away from that sect to the Church of God and today finds me saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. I praise God for again stirring my heart for missions. I exhort every

Yours for all service,  
Rosa B. Murphy.  
Tampa, Fla.

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## REQUESTS

Mrs. Flora Patton, Harriman, Tenn.,  
asks prayer for the healing of her  
body.

Laura S. Griffith, Daylight, Tenn.,  
asks prayer for the work at Man-  
chester, Tenn.

Mary Benson, Carbon Hill, Ala., re-  
quests prayer for her mother,  
brothers and sisters to receive the  
Holy Ghost.

Cordie Wilder, Shamrock, Ky., wants  
all the saints to pray for her hus-  
band to be sanctified and filled with  
the Holy Ghost.

Mary M. Turner, Shamrock, Ky., de-  
sires the prayers of all the saints  
for her husband to be sanctified and  
filled with the Holy Ghost.

Nancy L. Bryant of Speedwell, Tenn.,  
requests the saints everywhere to  
pray a special prayer for the Lord  
to completely heal her side.

Sarah Bear, Lancaster, Ky., asks  
prayer for a friend, Mrs. Ella Goins,  
of that place. She desires prayer  
that she and her husband will be  
saved.

S. M. Stamey, Shelby, N. C., is the  
only one in his family who has  
the Holy Ghost. His persecutions  
and trials are hard. Pray for him.

Carrie Whittington, Liberty Miss., re-  
quests special prayer for her aunt  
to be healed. Blood poison has set  
up in her system.

Mrs. Rose McKenzie, Rising Fawn,  
Ga., asks all who read this to pray  
that she will be healed and that her  
husband will receive the Holy  
Ghost.

Mrs. Augusta Farthing, Altavista, Va.,  
desires the saints to pray for her  
husband and son to be saved, sanc-  
tified and filled with the Holy  
Ghost.

Mrs. R. O. Dement, Youngville, N. C.,  
asks every one who reads this to  
pray for her children to be saved.  
Also pray for the Lord to provide  
her a folding organ to use out in  
the work.

Mrs. Rosie Lee Haye, Tampa, Fla.,  
asks prayer for her brother who  
has once had the Holy Ghost to  
get complete victory over smoking  
cigarettes. Pray for her sister to  
receive the Holy Ghost.

Lottie Whittington, Gloster, Miss., re-  
quests the saints to pray for God to  
take away the taste or desire for  
tobacco from her father. Also pray  
for her father and mother to come  
this way.

Janie Williams, Wildwood, Fla., asks  
the saints to pray earnestly for the  
members of the church there. Sev-  
eral have had influenza and some  
are sick now. Pray especially for  
the pastor who is sick.

Mrs. Mary Gibson, Marietta, Ga.,  
asks the saints to pray earnestly  
that she will be healed. She has  
kidney and liver trouble and thinks  
she is about to lose the use of one  
hand. Pray for her children to be  
saved.

## NOTICES

B. H. Doss has changed his address  
from 2126 Main St., Joplin, Mo., to Sa-  
pulpa, Okla., Box 399.

The revival meeting will begin at  
Rising Fawn, Ga., Aug. 5th and con-  
tinue as long as the Lord leads. Any  
one wishing to join us in a hard battle  
against sin and Satan is welcome.  
M. A. Looney, pastor.

All passengers coming to Goldsmith  
camp meeting can get off of train at  
the church. Ask the conductor to stop  
train at the church. Buy tickets to  
Goldsmith, Ga. Information from  
railroad company.

S. J. Heath.

Brother T. P. Kephart will begin a  
protracted meeting at Griffin Town,  
Union Church, the fourth Sunday in  
this month (July). We are looking for  
a great time. Pray for us. Everybody invited.

Joe Griffin,  
R. 2, Pekram, Tenn.

We will be at Tusquitee, N. C.,  
Aug. 12th, to sing for the camp meet-  
ing, the Lord willing. If there is a  
Church of God anywhere in my reach  
that wishes to be trained to sing I  
would be glad to help you.

Your servant and brother in Christ,  
J. H. Brooks,  
Alaska, N. C.

Our district meeting will be held at  
Dora, Ala., July 21st to 23rd. We want  
the state board to be sure to meet  
with us. Our state overseer will be in  
charge of the services. Everybody  
welcome. Come, expecting a wonderful  
time in the Lord.

Yours for lost souls,  
R. M. Gallups, dist. overseer,  
110-3rd St.,  
Pratt City, Ala.

The Church of God at Massons  
Court, four and one-half miles west of  
Berea, Ky., will begin a meeting on  
July 29th. Sister Werner will be with us  
during the meeting to bring the  
messages. We want each member of the  
church to pray much for the  
meeting.

Mittie Wylie, clerk.

I would like for some Church of  
God workers to come here and hold  
a meeting. I can take care of four or  
five. We will have to build an ar-  
bor to hold a meeting. I would like  
for Brother Monroe or Brother Dolla-  
hite to come.

I am a member of the Church of  
God at Poplar Grove, Ark.

Mrs. Acenath Clemons,  
R. 4, Box 87, Oxford, Miss.

To One and All:

There will be an all day service at  
Dividing Ridge, Tenn., fifth Sunday,  
July 30th. Come one, come all and  
enjoy a great feast from the Lord.  
Everybody is invited. Every preacher  
come prepared to preach for you  
may be the one called upon. We  
want the Holy Ghost to have full  
right of way.

J. W. Nelson,  
R. 3, Soddy, Tenn.

I would like to locate my family  
somewhere on the farm near a Church of  
God with a Church of God man. I  
have a wife and three children, one  
boy and two girls, the youngest nine  
years old. The boy is old enough to  
do good work on a farm. I would  
like to locate in North Georgia or  
Alabama.

I am pastor of Rome church, any  
one desiring any information refer to  
S. W. Latimer, Spring Place, Ga.

Respectfully yours,  
T. J. Looney,  
Box 276, Lindale, Ga.

Brother Whit Denson and his sing-  
ing class from Alabama, will be in  
Cleveland to sing for the Church of  
God Saturday night and Sunday, July  
15, 16. All the people should be inter-  
ested and welcome him with your

The revival which has been in  
progress for some time closed for a  
short time but will begin anew Sun-  
day, July 23rd, the writer in charge.  
Let everybody pray for a successful  
revival. We want to see souls saved,  
sanctified and filled with the Holy  
Ghost.

Yours in the work,  
J. S. Llewellyn, pastor,  
Cleveland, Tenn.

## IN MEMORY OF

### CLIPPER

The death angel visited the home  
of Mr. Lee Hill, June 28, 1922 and  
took his youngest daughter, Allie,  
wife of Henry Clipper, home to be  
with Jesus. She was 23 years of age.

The Lord saved her the first of May  
and a few days later wonderfully  
sanctified her with His precious blood  
and baptized her with the Holy Ghost.  
She leaves to mourn, a husband  
and infant daughter, father, two sisters  
and one brother.

Her funeral was conducted at Kid-  
well Ridge, Tenn. by the writer.  
A. J. Hopkins,  
Morristown, Tenn.

## BATTLEFIELDS

We have just closed a few days  
meeting at this place. Our pastor,  
W. A. Walker, and helpers had  
charge. We had great victory. Two  
were sanctified and two were filled  
with the Holy Ghost and two were  
added to the Church of God, reports

Eliza Hicks, Townsend, Tenn.

Brother and Sister Watson were  
with us for about ten days. They did  
some good work here. The church is  
in a better condition now. One was

sanctified and filled with the Holy  
Ghost. We have a new church but it  
is not finished yet. Pray that we  
might complete it, reports Robt.  
White, Berryton, Ga.

Have just closed a two weeks meet-  
ing at Omaha, Ark. Brother H. C.  
Scarborough, our district overseer, did  
the preaching. The Lord blessed him  
in giving out the Word. Eleven were  
saved, eleven sanctified, seven filled  
with the Holy Ghost, ten baptized in  
water and ten added to the Church.  
The saints were refreshed and people  
are looking this way as never before,  
reports J. J. Reaser, pastor.

The great work is before me. I am  
studying and praying to know how to  
rightly divide His Word. I get much  
joy and pleasure out of the Evangel.  
As I read the letters from different  
ones my heart wells up in praises to  
God for the many blessings in life  
and especially in the last months  
since I have been praying to God daily  
to know His will and to be able to  
live it by His help. I have left off  
medicine and everything in my life  
that is contrary to the Bible. When  
I get a chance to speak a word for  
Jesus I tell the people that they must  
live to meet Jesus in peace or they  
will be turned away from heaven.

Pray for me that I may let the  
Lord lead me in His way, sanctify me  
and fill me with the Holy Ghost and  
that I may live a life above sin in this  
world.

H. S. Crozier,  
Armenchee, Ga.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the  
Saints Scattered Abroad—Greetings  
to All in Jesus' Dear Name:  
God is still blessing His Church in  
Arkansas and making her shine.  
There are hard battles fought and  
many victories won. In an instance  
the enemy hurled his forces against  
the walls of Zion but she stood like the  
Rock of Ages (Jesus Christ).

There was some trouble here in the  
church which was not settled in the  
conference but the Lord sent Brother  
John Burk, our state overseer, along  
and after he got here and heard about  
it, he called the brethren together  
here at my father's home. After reading  
a few verses of Scripture and having  
prayer, he then looked at all of us  
and said that we were all before  
God and must weigh Justice to each  
other.

In the beginning which was along  
about five o'clock in the afternoon it  
was known that there was a mountain to  
be crossed but the next morning about  
two o'clock through much prayer and  
patience and working faithfully God  
began to move the mountain away.  
But all along through the night while  
in this meeting, the enemy would try  
to work his way in but Brother Burk  
would exhort the brethren to keep  
sweet in the Spirit. We all began to  
feel the victory in our souls and the  
trouble was settled satisfactorily with  
each of the brethren. Just before day-  
light the victory was completely won.  
Brother Burk said, "Now we are all  
feeling good in our souls." Each one  
responded that he was satisfied. Then  
the glory of God began to shine on  
each face and there was a good old  
time handshaking and greeting each  
other. Brother Burk took out his  
watch and said, "Brethren, it is now  
four thirty o'clock in the morning.  
Thank God, we have the victory in our  
souls." There was a long way trav-  
eled (spiritually) during the hours  
of midnight and the early morning.

Dear beloved of the Lord, this was  
a great lesson learned for myself that  
will never be forgotten. Oh, how it  
pays to wait upon God and deal gent-  
ly and prayerfully. Brethren, there  
is a good lesson to be learned here.  
Never be too hasty but wait upon  
God prayerfully. If any of the bre-  
thren or sisters commit a fault or do  
something wrong, don't tell everyone  
you see about it but get it before the  
church in a meek humble way—al-  
ways remember that there is an eye  
of justice watching over you. We  
grew and went a long way during the  
time of this meeting.

Brother John Burk is a man of  
God and is well thought of by all,  
and loved much by the people of Ar-  
kansas for his loyalty to the Church  
and his pure Christian life and is ever  
standing as a witness for our dear Lord.

I am sending this to you through  
the Evangel, hoping and praying it  
will be a blessing to all who read it.

Your little unworthy brother in the  
Lord,

Jesse Danehower,  
Haynes, Ark.

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boy and two girls, the youngest nine  
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Alabama.

I am pastor of Rome church, any  
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Respectfully yours,  
T. J. Looney,  
Box 276, Lindale, Ga.

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God workers to come here and hold  
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# THE PIT NOT THE EARTH

(Apocalypse, Chapter 20)

F. J. Lee

Ques. Beginning with the seventh verse, what is the pit called?

Ans. It is called a prison.

Ques. What do some commentators refer to as the chain and pit?

Ans. Some say that the reign of the saints will not be upon the earth and the wicked will be burned up root and branch, in this way the devil will be bound, not having any subjects to work upon, this is the chain of circumstance and the pit is this old blackened earth left in chaos after the saints are gone.

Ques. Is the rendering as above good logic?

Ans. No. Not according to the Scripture.

Ques. What distinction do we have between the pit and earth in chapter 9?

Ans. We find that a star (angel) comes to the earth and opens the bottomless pit and smoke comes out of the pit so dense that the sun is darkened and out of the pit also comes the wicked angels that had been kept there since losing their estate and these, referred to as locusts, come forth upon the earth for the purpose of tormenting men. Surely any one can see that the pit is one thing and the earth another, therefore, the pit to where Satan is to be cast and confined, as in a prison, is not upon the face of this earth.

Ques. What are some of the different renderings for pit?

Ans. Sometimes pit, as spoken of in the Bible, means the grave, also a hole in the ground as a well for water. Then at other times the term has reference to sheol, the place of departed spirits as in Job 17:16, "They shall go down to the bars of the pit, when our rest together is in the dust." The Hebrew word here in this instance is sheol. I find several other instances where pit means sheol. In Revelation we have another pit, yet it is called the bottomless pit, this is where Satan is to be imprisoned.

Ques. How long is Satan to be imprisoned in this pit after being cast there from off the face of the earth?

Ans. He will remain there one thousand years.

Ques. Where will the saints be during this time?

Ans. John says, "They lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years," Verse 4.

Ques. Is this reign to be up in the air on some other planet?

Ans. The song of the elders and living creatures is, "And we shall reign on the earth." Chapter 5:10.

Ques. Should this not settle the question that the saints reign on earth during the thousand years and the devil and his hosts are cast down into the pit during this time?

Ans. Yes. This is the truth as revealed in God's Word.

Ques. I will ask again, "Why is he to be cast into the pit?"

Ans. That he should deceive the nations no more till the thousand years are ended.

Ques. Do you suppose that there is a likelihood of him deceiving the glorified saints?

Ans. No. They will have conquered death, hell and the grave.

Ques. Well, what nations is he liable to deceive during this thousand years, if the wicked are to be annihilated and the righteous are with Christ somewhere?

Ans. The truth of the matter is, the wicked in general shall not be burned at the beginning of the thousand years, only the prominent portions of the antichrist's armies will be burned in the valley of Tophet, this is referred to as ashes under the feet of His people, the Jews. After the nations are judged the goat nations will be destroyed but the righteous nations, those that are morally good, not spiritually good, will go out into the Millennium. These are the ones that shall be protected from Satan's onslaught, not by killing them but by Satan being placed in prison, the pit.

Ques. What takes place at the end of the thousand years?

Ans. He is loosed for a little season.

Ques. Why then is he loosed?

Ans. The thousand years are up and he will then come out of the pit, he was made no better by his punishment, but he will make for the nations with his deceptiveness, who will be an easy prey to him because they have not the Spirit of the Lord but have only been held under or subdued as with a rod of iron and had been forced to offer homage to the Lord the thousand years on penalty of no rain if they refused.

(To be Continued)

ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvelous light." 1 Pet. 2:9.

Your sister in Christ,  
Mary Lucile McClure,  
Walhall, Miss.

## Burdened For the Orphans

She stood at the bar of justice, A creature wan and wild, In form too small for a woman, In features too old for a child; For a look so wan and pathetic Was stamped on that fair young face, It seemed long years of suffering, Had left their silent trace.

"Your name?" said the judge as he eyed her.

With kindly look, yet keen; "Is Mary McGuire, if you please, sir?"

"And your age?" "I have turned sixteen."

"Well, Mary," and then from a paper

He slowly and gravely read,

"You are charged here, I'm sorry to say,

With stealing three loaves of bread.

"You look not like an offender, And I can trust that you can show The charge to be false, now tell me, Are you guilty of this or no?"

A passionate burst of weeping, Was at first her sole reply; She dried her tears in a moment And looked in the judge's eye.

"I will tell just how it was, sir, My father and mother are dead, And my little brothers and sisters Were hungry and asked me for bread;

At first I earned it for them By working hard all day,

But sometimes times were hard, sir, And the work all fell away.

"I could get no more employment, The weather was bitter cold. The young ones cried and shivered, Little Johnnie's but three years old; So what was I to do, sir?"

I am guilty, do not condemn,

The bread to give to them?"

Every man in the courtroom, Graybeard and thoughtless youth, Knew as they looked upon her, That the prisoner spoke the truth; Out from the pockets came handkerchiefs

And out from their eyes came tears, And out from old faded wallets, Treasures hoarded for years.

The judge's face was a study, The strangest you ever saw, As he wiped the tears and murmured Something about the law;

For one so learned in such matters, So wise in dealing with men, He seemed on a simple question, Sorely perplexed just then.

But no one blamed him or wondered, When at length these words were heard,

"The sentence of this young prisoner Is for the present deferred." And no one blamed him or wondered,

When he went to her and smiled, And tenderly led from the courtroom Himself, the guilty child.

Oh, may God help us to move up a little in doing our best for the orphans. This poem touches my heart when I think of things happening every day like this. We do not know

but what it will be our little ones next who will be left alone in the streets. The busy world moves on just the same after we are gone and who will look after and love and kiss our little ones for us when we have crossed over to be with Jesus? As

the tears fill my eyes I feel a feeling of comfort creeping over me as something seems to say, "The Church of God Orphanage." Oh, how I wish I could do more. I feel so burdened some times. Dear ones, let us help bear the burdens, if we can't help we can surely pray.

As I sat in the Assembly building and saw those little boys and girls march in and sing about the orphans, it left a feeling in my heart that cannot be erased.

Surely the dear Lord is coming soon, let us be found faithful in everything.

A sister who feels the burden of little fatherless and motherless children,

Mrs. Stella Miller,

88 Michigan Ave.,

W. Asheville, N. C.

of the Holy Ghost is the most wonderful crowning grace that God ever gave to a human soul this side of the earthly gates.

To look on His face will be grand but it is heaven below to have the Trinity, the three in one, abiding in the heart as you walk the streets of the cities that are polluted by sin and vice and yet have the Trinity abiding in your heart, the mighty gift of power upon the clean life. The great teacher comes in at justification in a measure and the Spirit leads and guides and teaches and leads you deeper in God at sanctification but when the Comforter Himself comes into the sanctified heart and takes up His abode, the glory of God is beyond words to express. It is only through His Word and power that we could ever attain to it and possess it.

When God saves a soul, He takes out hatred, envy, jealousy, backbiting, slandering, anger, pride and covetousness. People may claim to be saved and have some of these things resting in their hearts or minds or on their lips but "Be not deceived, God is not mocked;" those who do such things are not the children of God, for covetousness, idolatry, enmity, strife and jealousy are the works of the flesh—offshoots of the carnal nature. It does not mean the soul is saved and needs to be sanctified but it means you are a transgressor of God's commandments, a rebel against God, and you need to get right with God for if we sin, we are no more children of God for sin separates the soul from God.

## Are You On Your Way to That Glory Land?

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All Evangel Readers Everywhere—Greetings:

I am praising God for full and free salvation and because I am numbered among His peculiar people. I am saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost and on my run for the glory land where I expect to see my blessed Savior face to face.

Dear friends, are you on your way to that glory land? Are you doing your best to enter therein? Jesus said many are called but few chosen. How I praise Him because He has chosen me. "For thou art an holy people unto the Lord thy God: the Lord thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto himself, above all people that are upon the face of the earth."

Deut. 7:6. God's people are a special people because they take the whole Bible rightly divided and live up to what it says. Praise God! Paul said in Tit. 2:12-14, "Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world; Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ; Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works."

We are redeemed, purified and zealous of good works for the old man has been put out and the new man has been put in, and the new man has a dwelling within. Peter said, "But

Filled With the Holy Ghost

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All Saints:

This is my first letter to you but I have been reading the Evangel and feel quite well acquainted with you already.

I am glad to tell you that I am a member of the Church of God at this place and have been convinced through the teaching of Brother Gammon and Brother Lennon of Virginia. I praise the Lord for leading me in the light and giving me the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Praise His holy name forever!

I was once a member of the Dunkard Church but never knew anything about Pentecost or talking in tongues until Brother Gammon came here last winter and held a weeks meeting. He gave me the light and later on I was filled with the Holy Ghost and talked in tongues.

The devil has deceived so many people here, my husband included, un-

till they think the Church of God people are being led by the wrong spirit. My husband has not allowed me to go inside the church now for over a week but I just pray and keep close to God. There are only about ten members here but they are all alive and on fire for God. I know they will do a mighty work here.

My husband believes in Spiritualism and says that the people who talk in tongues are mediums, and don't know it. A long time ago I tried to find out what there was in his way of believing and while I sat with him for development I had good results along that line. I could make the table walk and could answer all questions given me and the spirits would control me and I would write messages but I never could believe it was right. I gave it up and took up the church.

We moved here last summer and I could not get to my own church and I just stayed at home all summer. I prayed that the Lord would open the way for me to have a place to worship in. In the fall the weather got cold and we moved our laundry back in our living room to save fuel and the holiness people came along and rented our old laundry room which is a part of our house and set up a little mission church here. I knew the Lord had answered my prayer so I joined them and it made the devil angry, now he is working through my husband and I am not permitted to attend the meeting. But the Lord has given me the gift of charity which is patience and long suffering. I know that my Father in heaven, whom I love and worship, will in time set me free, in the meantime I will watch and pray.

Please remember my husband and family in your prayers. Also pray that I may prove faithful to the end. Amen.

Mrs. Edna Reiler,  
Gas City, Ind.

## Mother's Prayers Answered

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and Evangel Readers—Greetings in Jesus' Dear Name:

I am praising God for full and free salvation. I praise Him because He answered mother's prayers about two years ago. I was a sinner but I had praying mother and God answered her prayers. He saved, sanctified and gave me the precious Holy Ghost and I spoke in tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. Acts 2:4. I praise Him because I have victory in my soul and because I am a member of the dear Church of God. I love her teachings.

I praise Him that I had the privilege of attending the Bible School last winter. It surely was a great blessing to me. The people at Cleveland were so good and kind that it seemed almost like home. We surely had two fine teachers, they were so kind and good to us. I learned many things about the One who gave Himself for you and me.

I am waiting for school to begin again. It has helped me so much and if you will go to school, it will help you to work for the Master. If you feel that the Lord wants you to work for Him, why not go to the Church of God Bible Training School and prepare yourself for service?

"Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." 2 Tim. 2:15. Are you studying to shew yourself approved? If not, don't fail to attend the next term of school beginning Sept. 18. I desire your prayers.

Your brother in Christ Jesus,  
Herbert A. Carter,  
Monaville, W. Va.

## Striving to Enter in at the Strait Gate

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Evangel Readers—Greetings in Jesus' Dear Name:

I am praising the Lord because I am saved and sanctified and seeking a closer walk with Jesus. I am praising the Lord for the dear old Church of God and because I am a member. My husband is a member also and he has the Holy Ghost. I have been seeking the Holy Ghost for some time and I want all who read this to pray for me to receive Him.

I am trusting the Lord for my healing. A little over a year ago I quit taking doctor's medicine and sent a handkerchief to Brother Tomlinson to be anointed for stomach trouble and the Lord wonderfully healed me, also of liver trouble. Before I began trusting the Lord for my healing I almost lived on medicine. I am in better health than I have been in for twenty years.

I joined the church when I was a little Sunday school girl and was raised by a Christian mother who is dead now. She went out one evening to a ladies prayer meeting and was well as usual and testified in the meeting. After she testified she was taken sick and never spoke another word and died in a little while. She is gone to rest and I am striving to enter in at the strait gate. Praise His name forever.

After I was married I joined the Methodist church and lived like I thought a Christian ought, but when I saw the light on the Bible I found I was not what a Christian ought to be. I went to the altar till I knew I was sanctified and have a strong determination to go all the way with Jesus. He says He will never leave nor forsake us. I want all Jesus has for me. Sometimes the trials get so hard, I have been seeking the Holy Ghost so long. I will never turn back but I mean to go all the way with Jesus. I love my blessed Savior

## A One-Year Guarantee Against Backsliding

Many good Christians need something like that. All of us have known splendid and promising Christians, especially younger ones, who have gradually, almost imperceptibly, grown indifferent and cold.

One of the main reasons for this is that they fail to read the Bible, and love it and cherish it, and LEARN IT. It is the food that the Christians requires. Prayer has its part, and the Study of the Bible has its part.

If you want to make sure that you will grow in grace during the next twelve months—if you want to make sure that you won't backslide—if you want to reduce the possibilities that you will backslide almost to a minimum, let us give you a suggestion that has proved itself over and over again:

### Take up the Study of the Blessed Bible

You can take it up in a home study course that will make the Blessed Old Book more real to you than ever before. You'll grow in grace as you never did before.

This writer once asked an old man who had lived a Christian life for sixty years: "To what do you attribute the fact that you have lived such an abundant Christian Life all these years?" His answer was promptly: "To Prayer—and equally as important, to reading and studying the Word of God." That Old Man has gone to his reward now—a man who was so ready when the power of the Latter Rain fell, he just began to speak in tongues as he read it in the second chapter of The Acts.

But we carry on his message: Read and Study the Bible. It's easy and delightful, if you study the B. T. S. way. Have you seen our catalogue that describes the course? It is free for the asking. Write us today for it. It is worth reading even if you don't think you are quite ready to start the course.

### BIBLE TRAINING SCHOOL

Study by Correspondence

## "For the Shame of Christ."

(Continued from page one.)

ing. "There goes one who follows the Lamb whithersoever He goeth."

"But can't we do it cheaper?"

We have tried other and softer methods and have notably failed! Five hundred millions of heathen have never yet been evangelized, so it is computed! Yet our great missionary societies have reached high water mark, and if they have not already begun to retrench are seriously thinking of doing so. Meanwhile the heart of Asia, the heart of Africa, and well-nigh the whole continent of South America, are untouched with the Gospel of Christ.

The world lies open before the Christians of today,

but there is no possibility of occupying it for Christ except by a crusade. We have an invincible armament—the Sword of the Spirit, the Word of God. We have an unconquerable commander—the Holy Ghost. Hitherto we have bound Him with our traditions and prejudices, our disobedience and internal dissensions, our love of life and lack of faith and love. Let us up and avenge the Shame of Christ.

"He could not bring them into the promised land of the world," they say. It is only too true. "He could not!" Yes, but only because we would not follow and obey Him; only because we love our lives and the world better than we love Christ and His sheep!

It is not that we do not know, but that we will not do. "Ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them." We have churches and chapels, missions and conventions. About 50 million addresses of all sorts are given every year in the British Isles alone.

We are being drowned in a deluge of words!

Words without deeds! What ark can save us? Deeds, not words. Not words but deeds must win the world for Christ! Deeds that carry the Word of Life to the uttermost parts of the earth! "Why call ye Me Lord! Lord! and do not the things that I say?" "He that doeth the will of God abideth for ever!" Then I will be a doer—a Crusader—whatever!

There's the trumpet sounding the charge again! I dare not stay any longer! Once more, and for the last time, "Are you coming?" "Will you, too, take the cross?" No! Well! What? "I want some more golf first!" "Well, I never." "I would like to shoot some more partridges." My word! "Well, I really think I ought to enlarge my mind a bit more first by a continental tour!" Hum! Well! let me go and buy my parents first, and then \* \* \* Oh, yes! I think I've heard that before — the gospels!

"But I want to get strong ere I go!" Then you will go weak, for "when we are weak then are we strong!"

"But it does not appeal to me like that!" Not perhaps not! Perhaps this will appeal to you presently before the throne, "Inasmuch as ye did it not unto one of these least ye did it not unto Me!"

"Well, anyhow, I feel a call to stay at home!"

"Yes! It's safer, no doubt! Like rearing tame pheasants and putting at them instead of going to shoot big game! Just look! There goes old Diogenes again, with his candle, poking around to see if he can find "a man!" Hullo there, Diogenes! No use there! Look among the women! Try the suffragettes! "Men" are as rare as the Dodo—Christian men, I mean!

What did Pizarro say? "Choose each man what best becomes a brave Castilian." Thirteen stepped across the line! Thirteen against the 200,000 soldiers of Peru! They went and won!

What does Christ say? "Choose each man what best becomes a brave and loyal Christian."

"Whosoever doth not bear His cross and come after Me cannot be My disciple."

Onward, Christian Soldiers! Christ, the Royal Master, leads against the foe!

Ye that are "men" now serve Him!

No cross! No crown!

Here! Give me the cross, else I'll have nothing to lay at the feet of Jesus presently.

If the cross I boldly bear then my crown He shall wear—

Shall I be carried to the skies,

On flowery beds of ease,

While others fought to win the prize,

And sailed through bloody seas?

"Lord! bid me come unto Thee upon the waters."

And HE answered COME."

Yea, Lord, I come, for the shame of Christ and the lands oversea-

Beloved, the above article was sent to me some years ago by Brother Stud's brother, who is a Missionary in Africa. It greatly stirred my heart at the time and I have had in mind many times to pass it on to you dear ones. Now that the Church is in need of missionaries to go to China and many of the saints are crying out to God to thrust forth laborers it seems a good time to pass it on and ask WHO will arise and go forth NOW to save the work which has already been established in dark China.

The Chinese Christians are praying that God will raise up others to go with me and I have great faith in the prayers of the Chinese. They also want me to return at the earliest date possible and it does rejoice my heart that we are really wanted over there. The heathen also are wanting us to hurry and come.

I have, by faith in God and His Church, engaged passages, sailing from Vancouver, Canada, in August

for TWENTY CHURCH OF GOD missionaries. The passages must be used. We could not afford to send out less than TWENTY at this time. The work in China MUST NOW rise and shine or go down. We have been battling for several years over there and God has been pleased to bless our unworthy efforts and we have work established over there which many other Christian bodies would be glad to take over any day but we CAN'T AFFORD to let them have it. Therefore, we must arise in the strength of the Lord God Almighty and go forth AT ONCE to avenge the shame of Christ. I told you in another letter how we could easily arrange the financial side; now I am appealing on the spiritual.

Please, every one who is ready to go AT ONCE, or in August, get your church's and pastor's endorsement and write a letter to Brother Tomlinson and send it immediately, then it will be passed upon and headquarters will communicate with you and things will be quickly arranged. Your letter will be sent on to me. In this way all will be kept in close touch with each other—like an army—and know what to do next.

I am so worn from travel I can do very little more of it and must save myself for the long journey of three weeks back to China.

How I would love to see every one. God has blessed us in meetings everywhere I have been and it has been so precious to meet with the saints. Truly He has melted our hearts together in love.

There are several who are in the "valley of decision"—would love to go—but. Please let them communicate with me at once so I will know if I can count on you.

Your sister, soul hungry,

Jennie B. Rushin.

## An Appeal to the Pastors

To the Saints Scattered Abroad—

Greetings:

We had the pleasure of having with us in our state camp meeting, June 8-18, Sister Rushin from China. We surely appreciate her.

As she told us of the great need of the gospel in far away China, a land of over four hundred million people whose minds are darkened, where poverty and superstition cast a pall of gloom over people's lives, our hearts were stirred and it seemed that we could see their poor hands outstretched and hear their anxious cry, "Come over and help us."

I make this appeal to the pastors of the great Church of God in the home land, let us get this on our hearts and stand by our dear ones who leave home and friends to carry the glad tidings of joy to those poor people. When the final day has come, may we hear Jesus say as He said of the woman, "She hath done what she could." May God help us to rally to the call and carry on, till the Church Jesus purchased with His own blood shines forth in all her beauty and power in that needy field.

Yours for the Master,

I. H. Marks.

## Burdened for Hungry China

Dear Saints of God—Greetings in Jesus' Precious Name:

I am praising God for the call to work for Him. For several weeks the Spirit has been speaking through me, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature," and other like messages calling me to the foreign field. Many times my heart has been stirred at the thought of missions. When the Lord sanctified me I consecrated my service to Him for missions. I had never received such a blessing. What love, joy and peace I feel! Praise His sweet name! I felt the great need of evangelizing the world. Now, praise God, I have the full gospel, the gospel which Christ said must be preached to the ends of the earth before Jesus comes to tell the nations.

After meeting and talking with Sister Rushin at the Wimauma camp meeting I am greatly stirred for China. Oh, how hungry I became to go with her. I could hardly wait for the Lord to make known His will concerning me. Now, praise God, from several tarrying meetings, during which the Holy Ghost talked through me and gave interpretation, I am fully persuaded that God wants me in China. Thursday night, June 16th, while others were burdened for souls at the altar at the camp meeting the Lord took me to Sister Rushin and as He called me and I manifested my willingness to go He burdened me for China. He melted the sweetest most perfect in bearing the same burden for China.

Shall I be carried to the skies, On flowery beds of ease,

While others fought to win the prize,

And sailed through bloody seas?

"Lord! bid me come unto Thee upon the waters."

And HE answered COME."

Yea, Lord, I come, for the shame of

Christ and the lands oversea-

Beloved, the above article was sent to me some years ago by Brother Stud's brother, who is a Missionary in Africa. It greatly stirred my heart at the time and I have had in mind many times to pass it on to you dear ones. Now that the Church is in need of missionaries to go to China and many of the saints are crying out to God to thrust forth laborers it seems a good time to pass it on and ask WHO will arise and go forth NOW to save the work which has already been established in dark China.

The Chinese Christians are praying that God will raise up others to go with me and I have great faith in the prayers of the Chinese. They also want me to return at the earliest date possible and it does rejoice my heart that we are really wanted over there. The heathen also are wanting us to hurry and come.

I have, by faith in God and His

Church, engaged passages, sailing from Vancouver, Canada, in August

## THE GREAT COM-MISSION

C. M. Padgett

One time a certain man came to Jesus and said, "Master, which is the greatest commandment?" The reply was, "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." The first includes the giving of the mind and the will over entirely into the hands of God and doing this with great delight. When God has control of the will He has control of the whole man. The next concludes love to humanity, created intelligence, which He created to love and glorify Himself but by transgression has gone far away from God.

The greatest commission that Jesus gave to man was to go the world over and teach others to be reconciled to God, "Go ye and teach (make disciples) all nations." John Wesley once said, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor (every man) as thyself." How can we do this unless we are willing to deny ourselves that others may know about the God we serve, and be saved? Many plans have been made to make the world better but the only hope of the world is Jesus.

At one time when the apostle Paul was undecided where to go, he had a vision of a man from Macedonia saying, "Come over and help us." Just look at war-ravaged-and-stricken Russia with her 180,000,000 hands stretching out for help, then at Africa with 180,000,000 reaching out from heathen darkness, then turn your eyes toward dark India with her 300,000,000, now turn your eyes towards a dark ocean of 400,000,000 of living human beings whose hearts are beating just like yours and mine, who have a living soul just like we have and Jesus died to save them just the same as He died to save us. Behold, a land of idols, queues, crushed feet and darkened souls—China with 400,000,000 of souls and 800,000,000, hands stretched out for help. Can they be saved without believing? "Whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved." "How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?" Rom. 10:14.

They are sinking, starving, perishing, going down into eternal despair.

Do you not care? Where is the salt that Jesus spoke of? Can you see the city set on a hill? Is the candle burning brightly on the candlestick?

Jesus is handing the loaves and fishes to the Church of God. Will you distribute to the fainting multitudes and not send them away empty?

The gospel first came to the Jews. The Jewish missionaries at the risk of their lives carried the message into Macedonia and Italy. From Rome it leaped across the mountains into the northern countries. At one time a group of children were seen sleeping on the streets of Rome. They were brought from England to be sold as slaves. Hildebrand asked who they were. They answered, "Angies." "Not angies but angels" said, Hildebrand, because they were so fair.

I am making this appeal to the saints of the great Church of God in the home land, let us get this on our hearts and stand by our dear ones who leave home and friends to carry the glad tidings of joy to those poor people. When the final day has come, may we hear Jesus say as He said of the woman, "She hath done what she could." May God help us to rally to the call and carry on, till the Church Jesus purchased with His own blood shines forth in all her beauty and power in that needy field.

Yours for the Master,

I. H. Marks.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and Saints Everywhere—

Greetings in Jesus' Dear Name:

I am glad to report victory over sin and the devil. I praise the Lord for saving me, sanctifying me by His precious blood and filling me with the Holy Ghost with the Bible evidence of speaking in other tongue as the Spirit gave the utterance according to Acts 2:4. Praise God! I am praising God because I have been added to the great Church of God. "And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved." Acts 2:47.

I am glad I am in this way and am not tired of the way but it grows brighter and sweeter every day. I have many trials and temptations but I praise God because He is able to help us bear them. I praise God for what He is to me. He is my all and all. Glory to God! I am glad I have my face set toward heaven and my eyes set on Jesus. I am more determined to go on than ever before.

I have many loved ones out in sin and darkness and I want to be perfect in leading them to God before it is too late. Dear ones, let us hold on to God and He will take us through.

Praise His dear name!

I thank the Lord for the Church of God at Willisburg. Pray that it may stand above all the enemy can do.

Your sister under the blood,

began to get better but she isn't well yet so I want all the saints to pray that the Lord will heal her entirely.

I thank God for the grand old Church of God. I love her government and teaching and pay tithes. I believe in doing what God says for us to do. We have a nice little church house here and three have received the Holy Ghost lately. Glory to God! I feel the fire burning in my soul.

Your sister in Christ,

Emma Adams,

Crockett, Tex.

## Jesus the Great Healer

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and Saints of God Everywhere—

Greetings in Jesus' Dear Name:

I am praising God for salvation through the blood of Jesus and for the Holy Ghost that abides just now.

I praise the Lord for the church at Carbon Hill and for sending Brother Luther Richard and Brother McCoy to Carbon Hill with the true gospel.

I am praising the Lord for His wonderful healing power. My husband was taken with gall stones and was real bad. We called for the saints to come in and pray for him. He was perfectly cold to his knees and elbows and his finger nails were purple. I had about given up all hopes of him getting well and thought it was his time to go. The saints gathered around the bed and we began to pray.

The power fell and Brother Luther Richard, under the power, cast the demon out and he was healed. One

sister who is not a member of the Church of God was standing by and saw the demon as it was cast out. She became frightened and left the room. Glory! I am telling this for the glory of God.

Pray for my unsaved children that they may be saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Pray for husband and me that we may ever stay humble at the foot of the cross and do the little things that He would have us do.

Nannie Ingram,

Carbon Hill, Ala.

## The Guide Book

Ask for the guide book—the Bible from heaven,

For our salvation its pages were given; If of a truth you're seeking the way, Ask for the guide Book, believe and obey.

Heed not the voices that bid you remain,

Heed not the false guides who seek only gain;

Ask for the guide Book, its teachings are true,

Heeding it daily will carry you through.

Thousands are traveling in death's downward way,

Few walk the path that is narrow today;

One ends in darkness and one ends in light,

One is the wrong way and one is the right.

Though you may teach that the Saviour has died,

Claim to be just and appear sanctified;

Still if the law of the Lord you deny,

Vain your profession the Lord will repay.

Sent in by W. L. Lindsay.